## TOWN OF WALLINGFORD



## Open Competitive Examination

Human Resources Department Wallingford Town Hall Room 301 45 South Main Street Wallingford, Connecticut 06492

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## **SENIOR SANITARIAN**

**\$84,586 - \$108,221** (If Hired after 8/30/2002) **\$89,039 - \$108,221** (If Hired before 8/30/2002) **Wages Effective January 1, 2023** (Annually)

General Statement of Duties: This is professional public health and sanitary inspection work in the enforcement of the statutes and regulations relating to public and environmental health. Work involves responsibility for achieving and maintaining environmentally safe conditions by applying the knowledge of the principles of epidemiology in preventive health practices through the enforcement of the Connecticut Public Health Code, General Statutes and local ordinances. Duties include conducting and scheduling subsurface site investigations, work involving all aspects of environmental inspections including food service employee education and report preparation. This position also has the responsibility for making standard health code inspection decisions. The work requires that the employee have thorough knowledge, skill and ability in laws and regulations governing enforcement of public health, sanitation practices and environmental health codes.

<u>Supervision Received:</u> Works under the direction of the Director of Health or other designated supervisor.

**Examples of Duties:** Performs soil tests and evaluates the suitability for the installation and location of private septic systems and private wells. Reviews engineered and other plans for subsurface sewage based on the public health code and State of Connecticut technical standards, issues permits and inspects the installation of said systems to ensure code compliance. Coordinates with engineers and others to conduct hydraulic assessment and verifies results of ground water monitoring. May train and/or supervise other sanitarians or interns in conducting septic evaluations. Conducts periodic inspections of licensed food service establishments including day care centers, public swimming pools and other facilities as required by State and local codes. Assists the Director of Health in determining the food establishment inspection classification consistent with the State public health code. Conducts facility plan reviews for new or extensively renovated establishments. Assists the Director of Health in planning, organizing and presenting educational workshops and seminars for food services personnel, health promotion activities and public health preparedness. Investigates environmental complaints such as public health nuisances, septic failures, stream pollution, garbage accumulation, refuse vehicles, rodent and insect infestations, mosquito control, childhood lead poisoning and other unsanitary conditions. Prepares written abatement measures based on current regulations, statutes and local ordinances. Participates in enforcement hearings and appeal actions based upon inspection findings. Prepares and maintains written reports of all site evaluations conducted and prepares invoice requests for soil testing or other related services. Supervises the department staff in the absence of the Director of Health and corresponds with the Medical Advisor as needed. Assists with the scheduling of work assignments, training, and the supervision and evaluation of assigned staff. Assists in the development of local ordinances related to environmental sanitation. Performs related work as required.

Required Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities: Thorough knowledge of the modern methods, principles and practices of public health as they pertain to subsurface sewage, public health preparedness, food safety and investigative techniques, epidemiology of disease prevention and acceptable solutions to public health nuisances. Considerable knowledge of the laws, ordinances and regulations governing environmental sanitation. Considerable ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing. Considerable knowledge of and ability to interpret, explain and enforce the laws, ordinances and regulations governing environmental sanitation with firmness and tact. Considerable ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with superiors, associates, employers, representatives of outside agencies, and the general public. Considerable ability to perform work independently with limited direct oversight and make sound science-based decisions while conducting inspections and investigations and when supervising subordinates.

<u>Qualifications:</u> Bachelor's degree from a recognized college or university in environmental health, biology, public health or a closely related field, plus two (2) years of experience in a regulatory environmental public health capacity.

<u>Special Requirements:</u> Must possess and maintain a valid certification as a Registered Sanitarian from the State of Connecticut, or be a Registered Environmental Health Specialist with the National Environmental Health Association or be able to obtain either of these two (2) certifications within six (6) months of hire. Must possess and maintain a State of Connecticut certification in Food Service Inspection and a certification in Subsurface Sewage, Phase I and II. Must possess and maintain a valid State of Connecticut Lead Inspector or Risk Assessor certification or obtain the same within one (1) year of hire. Must possess and maintain a valid State of Connecticut Motor Vehicle Operator's License.

<u>Fringe Benefits:</u> Excellent Health Insurance Packages, Group Life Insurance, Pension Plan, Paid Holidays, Paid Vacations, Paid Sick Leave.

<u>Application Forms:</u> May be obtained at the Department of Human Resources, Town of Wallingford, 45 South Main Street, Wallingford, CT 06492. Forms will be mailed upon request from the Department of Human Resources or may be downloaded from the Department of Human Resources Web Page.

<u>Examination:</u> Written – 100% **or** Oral – 100% **or** Background Evaluation – 100% **or** Written-50%/Oral – 50% **or** Written 50%/Background Evaluation – 50% **or** Oral – 50%/Background Evaluation – 50%

**Closing Date:** The closing date will be December 23, 2022.